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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT AND REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE Examiner's Amendment

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Gerald R. Black (Reg. No. 29,514) on June 30, 2005.

The application has been amended as follows:

Cancel claims 21 and 23.

Amend claim 19 as follows:

At line 4, delete the limitation "either but not both of" - -

At line 8, delete the second occurrence of "processor" and replace it with "the" - -

At line 8, delete "with" and replace it with "within" - -

Amend claim 20 as follows:

At line 7, delete the second occurrence of "processor" and replace it with "the" - -

At line 7, delete "with" and replace it with "within" - -

At line 15, after the limitation "images" insert "; and whereby the text images generated by the stylus are downloadable from the scanned text images retained in the processor memory within the stylus" - -

Amend claim 22 as follows:

At line 7, delete the second occurrence of "processor" and replace it with "the" - -

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At line 7, delete "with" and replace it with "within" - -

At line 14, after the limitation "images" insert "; and whereby the text images generated by the stylus are downloadable from the scanned text images retained in the processor memory within the stylus" - -

Reasons for Allowance

- 2. Claims 19, 20, and 22 are allowed. The claims will be renumbered as 1-3.
- 3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the closest prior art to Karamchetty does not teach or fairly suggest, among other things, whereby identity authentication is based upon a comparison of either the captured fingerprint or thumbprint against a reference print, such identity authentication being independent of the text images, and whereby the text images generated by the stylus are downloadable from the scanned text images retained in the processor memory within the stylus. It is for this reason and in combination with all of the other elements of the claims that claims 19, 20 and 22 are allowable over the closest prior art of Karamchetty.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to DANIEL G. MARIAM whose telephone number is 571-272-7394. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (7:00-4:30) FIRST FRIDAY OFF.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, BHAVESH M. MEHTA can be reached on 571-272-7453. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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PRIMARY EXAMINER

June 30, 2005